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SUBJECT: ZAPATA PLANS ANOTHER FISH MEAL PLANT IN BAJA
CALIF., MEXICO.

IN CONVERSATION WITH FISHATT, ZAPATA OFFICIAL INDICATED
PACKAGE PROPOSAL TO BE CONSIDERED FOR CONSTRUCTION FISH
MEAL PLANT IN SAN QUINTIN BAY AREA BAJA CALIF., 200 MILES
SOUTH ENSENADA.

SAN QUINTIN CONSIDERED POTENTIAL SITE OWING TO AVAILABILITY
ANCHOVY RESOURCES, NEED TO DECENTRALIZE ACTIVITY IN ENSENA-
DA AND AVAILABILITY OF AMPLE LABOR SUPPLY.

DURING FIRST HALF OF 1978 FISHING SEASON ZAPATA OPERATION
IN ENSENADA WAS SUFFERING FOR LACK OF FISH; HOWEVER DURING
JULY, AUGUST PRODUCTION NORMALIZED AT 800 TO 1400 TONS
PER DAY. FROM RECENT SURVEYS IT APPEARS STABLE ANCHOVY
CONCENTRATIONS GREATER IN SAN QUINTIN AREA HENCE PLAN FOR
ESTABLISHING THERE. INITIAL CAPACITY OF PLANT WOULD BE
40 TONS/HOUR.

ZAPATA ENSENADA OPERATION STARTED UP OCTOBER 76 AND DURING
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1977 TOTAL 100,000 TONS PROCESSED YIELDING OVER 20,000
TONS FISH MEAL. CAPACITY OF MEAL PLANT IS 1400 TO 1600
TONS PER DAY. TOTAL 1978 PRODUCTION EXPECTED NEAR
200,000 TONS.

MEXICO ANNUAL FISH MEAL CONSUMPTION ABOUT 140,000 TONS,
PRESENT PRODUCTION PROBABLY 70 TO 80 THOUSAND TONS CONSE-

QUENTLY DIFFERENCE MUST BE IMPORTED. DRAFTED ROLF JUHL.
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